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Comments: As a land owner in the Mountain Plains subdivision I am here to speak against Solitario Zinc's mining in our area. The area from Big Hill to Roughneck to Little Spearfish Creek is important to our community as well as the tourists that support our local businesses throughout the year. Our local hiking and biking trails and the Spearfish Creek watershed is integral to that. Solitaire Zinc must not be allowed to cut this area off from public access and destroy all the beauty and life that exists up there today.

This is an incredibly popular area, which is used used by many for all types of outdoor recreation including fishing, camping, mountain biking, fat biking, xc skiing, hiking, UTV'ing, snowmobiling, hunting. By both both tourists and locals throughout the year.

There is a huge concern for potential pollution caused by drilling next to Little Spearfish Creek. Using of 1000's of gallons of water per day for drilling. Water is not an infinite resource. There will be a very negative impact on the local wildlife that we all enjoy so much. As well as a huge increase in traffic and air pollution.

Solitario Zinc must not be allowed to destroy the natural beauty that is loved by so many in our community, as well as those thousands of people that come each year to enjoy.